



# Chieftain

Volume 49, No. 4 ITAWAMBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE February 10, 2020

## Briefly Speaking

### Patrick selected William Winter Scholar

**Staff Reports**  
Dr. Cass Patrick of Tupelo, Fine Arts division chair, has been selected as ICC's William Winter Scholar for 2020.

He will be among statewide recipients honored during opening and closing ceremonies at the 31st Annual Natchez Literary and Cinema Celebration, Feb. 27-29. - **Read more on page three.**

### ICC receives \$500,000 in grant money

**Staff Reports**  
ICC has received \$500,000 from two grant sources to enhance its Industrial Maintenance associate degree program as well as to implement Robotics and Automation Control Technology at the Belden Center. - **Read more on page three.**

### New building set to open next month

**HANNAH SCOTT**  
*Staff Writer*

Itawamba Community College now has a new building that is expected to open next month on the Tupelo Campus.

The first floor of the Academic and Student Center will be primarily student service oriented, and the second floor will include 14 classrooms for social sciences, fine arts and business courses. An open house is being planned for Mar. 2. - **Read more on page seven.**

## Ikawa, Johnson, Jones, McIntosh named to All-Mississippi Academic Team

**Staff Reports**  
Four ICC sophomores have been named to the All-Mississippi Academic Team.

They include Nami Ikawa of Saltillo, Kaly Johnson of Fulton, Amber Jones of Tupelo and T.J. McIntosh of Wren.

### IKAWA

Ikawa serves as the president of the Tupelo Campus Student Government Association, vice president of scholarship for the Beta Tau Sigma Chapter of PTK, leader for Supplemental Instruction in college algebra and anatomy and physiology at the Tupelo Campus and a student representative for the academic calendar and enrollment committee. Her honors include the President's List. Her community service activities are

community representative for the Alzheimer's Association Mississippi chapter, volunteer for HealthWorks!



**Ikawa**

and Armor of God Clothing Ministry and Beta Tau Sigma Chapter's College Project and Honors in Action. She is the daughter of Og Youn (Diane) Hwang and Hirokuni Ikawa.

### JOHNSON

Johnson is majoring in biology at ICC, where she is president of the Upsilon Sigma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, vice president of the



**Johnson**

struction leader. Her ICC honors include Honors College and President's List. She is the daughter of Charolette Johnson and Joseph Johnson.

### JONES

Jones is majoring in educational psychology at ICC where she is the president of the Beta Tau Sigma Chapter of PTK; treasurer of the SGA and member of the

Indian Delegation, Travel Tribe and Student Activities committee. Previously, she served as an Orientation



**Jones**

Leader and a college algebra tutor for Supplemental Instruction. Her honors include 2019 Homecoming Queen and both President's and Dean's Lists. Her community service activities are Beta Tau Sigma Chapter's College Project and Honors in Action promoting information about mental health and volunteer at both

the Tender Care Daycare and Lift, Inc. She attends Mudcreek Baptist Church in Saltillo. Her parents are



**McIntosh**

Chevelle Powell and Reford Jones.

### MCINTOSH

McIntosh is majoring in biology with a pre-medicine concentration. He serves as the vice president of scholarship for the Upsilon Sigma Chapter of PTK, vice president of the SGA and a member of the ICC All-American Band, SKD, Indian Delegation and the Science Club. His honors in-

clude the President's List, recipient of the Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship and a semifinalist for the Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship. He serves as a tutor for the Minority Achievement Network for Upward Progression (MAN UP) program at ICC. His community activities include the Upsilon Sigma Chapter's Project and Honors in Action. McIntosh attends the Greater New Prospect Missionary Baptist Church in Nettleton. He is the son of Torrance and Sylvia McIntosh.

Each two-year college in Mississippi may nominate students to the All-USA Academic Team. Selections are chosen from the state teams.

## ITAWAMBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

### College unveils branding initiative; new decade, new logo

**Staff Reports**

January 31 was a special day in the life of Itawamba Community College, according to an email sent by President Dr. Jay Allen shortly after noon.

"On January first, we transitioned into a new day, a new year and a new decade, the perfect time to unveil ICC's new look, the culmination of months of planning, discussion and work."

Allen said that the "College's brand is significant in this communication age to en-

sure that ICC is considered a viable option to provide a better future for all we serve, and our name and presence come to mind when potential students seek an unparalleled educational experience."

Since 1948, ICC has had many logos, slogans and tag lines, and many different looks, but its message has been consistent, just as it will continue to be, Allen said in the accompanying introductory video.

"We are a premier community college, one that is known and respected far beyond

our region. ICC's logo is vitally important to our brand. It acts as a signature, an identifier and a stamp of quality. Simply put, it is ICC's identity."

Allen said that the I signifies the three ICC locations, and the feather unites current and former students through tradition, history and our deep heritage.

"Today we are unveiling a new chapter, a new brand for Itawamba Community College, where the best always start! I'm excited to share our new identity with you."

For the latest news updates ..... See [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu)



## Inside

### Viewpoints News Sports







**KATHERINE MORGAN**  
Editor

## Always remember your 'rock!'

The past couple of months have been constant chaos from Thanksgiving to Christmas to New Year's celebrations. For me, my family comes together and enjoys time spent together. We eat, play games and fellowship.

There is always the usual chatter about work and everyday life things, and then the question that is always asked to me..."How is school going?"

Of course, this question is meant just to be a conversation starter, but as every college student knows, there is not a worse question to ask someone in college during break than about school. Of course, I responded with the usual, "Oh, good, it's the same old ya know."

Following New Year's, like most of us, we all did a little self-reflection and made resolutions. What many don't often think about are those relationships with the people who have helped us the most.

Our family members with whom we sometimes tend to get annoyed for asking about school during the holidays are just our supporters. They are the ones in the background cheering us on, knowing that we can make it through those long nights of studying.

Now that school has started back and everybody is in the groove of things, the stress looms. We all know midterms will soon arrive and before long, finals. The long nights of stressing for tests and pulling all-nighters is upon us.

A wise person once said, "Remember who you are and where you come from; otherwise, you don't know where you are going."

Currently, many others and I still are going through this transition of being comfortable in college and figuring out who we are. However, many of us neglect our family back home.

Our families are our rocks. They keep us grounded when we are upset and feel overwhelmed or when the going has gotten tough. They keep the encouraging words rolling when all you hear in today's world is negativity.

We can't forget about those who have been cheering us on from the sidelines since we were in diapers taking our first steps. Those people were here at the beginning and will be here when we graduate or when we take that leap of faith into new opportunity.

So, when we are having trouble getting through that next test, we should make a phone call and receive those words of encouragement. We should never forget to thank them for all they have done for us.

Next time one of my family members asks how school is going, I'll stop and reflect on the support they are continuing to give me. I hope that you will do the same with yours.



## College CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Looking ahead

**FEBRUARY**  
Presidents' Day  
Holiday for students,  
faculty and staff

17

18

**FEBRUARY**  
Most Beautiful Pageant  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts  
Center auditorium  
7 p.m.

**FEBRUARY**  
Humanities Presentation  
Jessi Stevenson  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts  
Center auditorium  
6 p.m.

25

2-3

**MARCH**  
Final exams  
for traditional first  
eight-week classes

**MARCH**  
Final exams  
for eLearning four- and  
eight week classes  
Pick up SGA officer  
petitions.

2-5

6

**MARCH**  
SGA officer petitions,  
both Fulton and Tupelo,  
due by 4 p.m.

**MARCH**  
Spring Break

9-13

### Spring '20 Exam Schedule

TRADITIONAL CLASSES	
Class Mtg.	Exam Date/Time
<b>Tuesday and Thursday</b>	
8-9:15 a.m.	4.28, 8-10 a.m.
10:50 a.m.-12:05 p.m.	4.28, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
12:35-1:50 p.m.	4.28, 1-3 p.m.
<b>Monday and Wednesday</b>	
8-9:15 a.m.	4.29, 8-10 a.m.
10:50 a.m.-12:05 p.m.	4.29, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
12:35-1:50 p.m.	4.29, 1-3 p.m.
<b>Tuesday and Thursday</b>	
9:55-10:40 a.m.	4.30, 8-10 a.m.
2-2:50/2:30-3:15 p.m.	4.30, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
<b>Friday</b>	
8-11:40 a.m.	5.1, 8-10 a.m.
9-11:40 a.m.	5.1, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
<b>Other Friday classes</b>	5.1, 1-3 p.m.
<b>Monday and Wednesday</b>	
9:25-10:40 a.m.	5.4, 8-10 a.m.
2-2:50/2:30-3:15 p.m.	5.4, 10:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

EVENING CLASSES	
Tuesday night classes	4.28
Wednesday night classes	4.29
Thursday night classes	4.30
Monday night classes	5.4

For up-to-date calendars...  
[www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu)



## Dogs teach life lessons

I know I have said it before, okay several times. It is truly amazing what we humans can learn from dogs.

The other day I took Apollo, my fur baby, to the park. I thought it would be a nice adventure for both of us on a relatively warm day.

However, I didn't take into consideration that my very energetic dog had never really been around ducks before. So, of course, when he saw these birds swimming in the lake, he lost his mind.

Apollo took off running toward the water so fast that he practically drug me down the hill after him. Once he reached the water, he got right up in the face of a duck, which was less than thrilled to have such a personal interaction with my dog.

The duck was not very friendly, but nonetheless, Apollo persisted to try to make friends with every single duck we encountered at the park. Watching him struggle to make friends with the feathery creatures reminded me of my freshman year at ICC.

The first couple of days, I talked to people in my classes, but eventually I gave up. I felt that I didn't really fit in anywhere. I didn't join any clubs, sports or groups. I attended classes, went to work and went home.

I'm now in my second semester of my sophomore year at ICC, and I'm still not involved in many activities on campus.

I have switched to online classes, so I don't really have the opportunity to participate in as many organizations as I would like.

I have, however, extended my social circle substantially, and it has made me a much happier person.

So, what does a crazy dog mom have to tell you about going to the park with her dog?

Well...the answer is simple.

Don't give up on your social life just because you're in college. Yes, grades are important, but your happiness is, too. Get involved. Play a sport. Join a club. Make friends - don't give up! Don't be afraid of rejection! Get out there and show ICC what you're made of!!

There's a place  
for YOU  
on the Chieftain staff!

email...  
[dsthomas@iccms.edu](mailto:dsthomas@iccms.edu)

TODAY!



Editor.....Katherine Morgan

Sports Editor.....Madison Haley

Sports Information.....Adam Gore

Staff Writers.....Hannah Flake  
Brooklynn Hall, Stephanie Heatherly, Ruby Johnson,  
Lindsey Roberts, Hannah Scott, Joshua Vaughn

Adviser.....Donna Thomas

Photographers.....Nina Strother  
C.J. Adams  
Lee Adams  
Maggie Caldwell

The Chieftain is available online only and is posted three times each semester.

Views expressed in this newspaper are not necessarily those of the faculty and administration.

Itawamba Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award associate's degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404.679.4500 for questions about the accreditation of Itawamba Community College.  
Itawamba Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs or activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Dean of Students, 602 West Hill Street, Fulton, MS 38843, 662.862.8271, TitleIXCoordinator@iccms.edu.

## Teacher Spotlight

**Robin Lowe**  
**COMMUNICATIONS**

**KATHERINE MORGAN**  
*Editor*

**FAMILY:** Married to Michael Lowe for 20 years; one daughter, Caroline.

**EDUCATION:** A.S. degree from ICC; B.S. and M.S. degrees in English Education, both from Mississippi State University

**COURSES TAUGHT:** Developmental English, Composition I and II, American Literature I and II, Creative Writing, PTK Leadership class and Honors Forums I-IV



**Lowe**

**EXPERIENCE:** Began her career teaching seventh grade (one year), eleventh grade (six years) at Amory High School while teaching adjunct for Composition I and II at ICC; also taught Adult Basic Education Skills and GED classes; became full-time member of ICC faculty in 2004 and a PTK adviser in 2005; Honors College director in 2017 and recently named a Faculty Scholar for PTK.

**POSITIVES OF TEACHING:** "I love helping students learn. I take such joy in seeing my students understand difficult concepts. Teaching at the college level keeps me feeling young and energetic. My students make me laugh, and I enjoy being a mentor to so many wonderful students."

**ADVICE TO STUDENTS:** "Embrace life. Do not waste time, especially with the ones you love. Do something productive with your life. And most importantly, have fun!"



**Instructor Ashley Brown discusses the operation of a robot with a student at the ICC Belden Center.**

## ICC receives \$500,000 from two grant sources for Robotics, Automation Control

### Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College has received \$500,000 from two grant sources to enhance its Industrial Maintenance associate degree program as well as to implement Robotics and Automation Control Technology at the Belden Center.

### SOURCES

The grants of \$250,000 each were from the Appalachian Regional Commission/Three Rivers Planning and Development District and the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

- Governor's Reserve Funds.

Administered by the Mississippi Department of Employment Security, the Governor's Reserve Funds support employment and training activities.

### OPPORTUNITY

According to Barry Emison, dean of career and technical education, the funds will be used to purchase five Yaskawa robotic trainers and two automated manufacturing simulation trainers. "This will afford ICC students the opportunity to learn the advanced skillsets found in today's

automated manufacturing and distribution facilities."

### NEW PROGRAM

Emison said that the new program, which is scheduled to begin in August, is expected to increase the number of high-skilled technicians for high-demand jobs in ICC's five-county service area as well as for the entire state. Current wages for Automation Technicians currently range between \$24 and \$28 per hour.

For example, Ashley Furniture plans to send its incumbent workers through ICC's training

instead of out-of-state to meet its new automation expansion and investment in Mississippi, affording a long-term sustainable partnership with the College, which is available to all area manufacturers.

Emison also noted that with the implementation of the Yaskawa robotic trainers into the Industrial Maintenance program, graduates will be exposed to multiple robotics systems and more in demand for various industry needs, which will ultimately benefit both the student and companies.

## Dr. Cass Patrick to represent ICC as 2020 William Winter Scholar

### Staff Reports

Dr. Cass Patrick of Tupelo, Fine Arts Division chair, has been selected as Itawamba Community College's William Winter Scholar for 2020.

He will be among statewide recipients honored during opening and closing ceremonies at the 31st Annual Natchez Literary and Cinema Celebration, Feb. 27-29.

Patrick, who is in his 24th year at ICC, also teaches freshman and sophomore music theory, jazz improvisation, music appreciation, classical and jazz guitar and directs the ICC Jazz Band. He has previously been an assistant band director, woodwinds instructor and director of the woodwind choir. Prior to ICC, he was the director of the Jazz Studies and Classical Guitar programs at Auburn University.

In addition to teaching,



**2020 ICC William Winter Scholar Dr. Cass Patrick, left, performs with the Jazz Band in this file photo.**

Patrick has remained active as a performer, arranger and composer as well as serving on numerous occasions as a clinician and adjudicator for various jazz festivals and solo ensemble competitions

around the Mid-South. His work includes music for jazz band and combo, marching band, symphonic band, choir, woodwind choir, brass choir, various show choirs, orchestra, solo classical guitar and

multiple guitar works as well as various church choirs/orchestras and church hand bell choir. Recent projects include the transcription of 50 renaissance lute pieces (from 16th Century tablature) to classical

guitar as well as his Symphony #1 for String Orchestra.

Patrick earned the bachelor's degrees in marketing and music, master's degree in music composition and the doctorate in music theory, all from the University of Mississippi.

His honors include induction into the Ole Miss Jazz Alumni Hall of Fame, Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Mu Alpha, a professional music fraternity and selection as the ICC Humanities Teacher of the Year. He was also part of the All-American Olympic Band for the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

He and his wife of 32 years, Amy, have two sons, Sam, a senior at Mississippi State University, and Ray, an officer in the newly-formed United States Space Force.

**Get involved in student activities!**  
**For a list...see page 12.**



## FYI MAKE A NOTE OF IT

### Most Beautiful Pageant scheduled at Fulton Feb. 18

Staff Reports

The 2020 Itawamba Community College Most Beautiful Pageant is scheduled for 7 p.m., Feb. 18, at the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium at the Fulton Campus.

Contestants include Miranda Flippo of **Abbeville**; Kaylee Brooke McCollum of **Amory**; Ruby Johnson, Kiley Rhea, Alexis Bradley, all of **Belden**; Kayla Pritchett of **Bellefontaine**; Courtney Floyd of **Blue Springs**; Taylor Carter of **Ecury**; Sydney Duggar, Molly Williams, both of **Guntown**; Hannah Rooks, Faith Garrett, both of **Hamilton**; Krystal Wright, Georgia McMullen, both of **Houston**; Tyranda Williams of **Lamar**; McKenzie Stamper of **Mantachie**; Savannah Odom of **Marietta**; Molly Beth White of **New Albany**; Madison Haley of **Olive Branch**; Abbey Grace Montgomery, Cassidy Jean Young, Kirklyn Finney, Georgia Akers, all of **Pontotoc**; Reiley Duncan of **Ripley**; Katey Kemp, Brooke Chidester, Carson Sears, Laila Ledbetter, Leah Irwin, all of **Saltillo**; Makayla Humphres of **Tupelo**; Sydney Hardin of **Vina, Ala.** and Ebony Stanfield of **West Point**.

Awards to be presented include 2020 Most Beautiful; first, second, third and fourth alternates; and Most Photogenic.

Tickets are available for \$5 at [iccms.edu/tickets](http://iccms.edu/tickets).

The pageant is sponsored by the ICC Travel Tribe.

For more information, call (662) 862-8308 or (662) 862-8056 or email [travel@iccms.edu](mailto:travel@iccms.edu).

### CPRAM scholarship available for majors in communication

Staff Reports

State college public relations officials are doing their part to encourage students to continue their interest in the area of communication at Mississippi's two- and four-year colleges with three \$1,250 scholarships.

Students applying for the College Public Relations Association of Mississippi (CPRAM) scholarship must be majoring in one of the following fields of study: public relations, communications, journalism, advertising, mass communications, political communications, crisis management, graphic design or other communication-oriented major. The scholarships could be awarded to a May 2020 high school graduate, a student entering or enrolled at the state's two-year colleges and to a student entering or enrolled at the state's four-year colleges. The student must also be enrolled full-time.

Scholarship applicants must be in good standing and present three letters of recommendation from individuals connected to their academic institution. This includes college advisers, high school teacher/official, home-school teacher, etc. Students may be recommended by an active CPRAM member.

The applicants must complete in full the scholarship application and return it to the scholarship committee no later than Feb. 14. Applicants also must include a 500-word essay entitled, "With all the changes being made in the field of Communications, what skills do I have to keep up with these changes?"

Students receiving the scholarship can be awarded for more than one year, but they must reapply every year. The scholarship committee reserves the right to make its decision based on need, merit and the number of applicants each year.

For more information, contact Donna Thomas at [dsthomas@iccms.edu](mailto:dsthomas@iccms.edu).



*"It was the summer of 1975... A 14-year-old girl was rescued from the bottom of a swimming pool at an apartment complex in Tupelo... My rescuer became my mentor..."*

Left, Juanita Floyd tells her story as part of her Celebration of Unity speech last week at both the Fulton and Tupelo campuses. Below, Floyd signs a book for a member of the audience.

## Juanita Floyd inspires Celebration of Unity audiences with her story

Staff Reports

Juanita Floyd of Tupelo, vice president of finance and administration for the CREATE Foundation and co-author of "Summer of 1969," traced her life story in inspirational Celebration of Unity programs last week at both the ICC Fulton and Tupelo campuses.

### HER STORY

She began her story by recalling a hot summer July day in 1975, when a 14-year-old girl was pulled from the bottom of a swimming pool at a Tupelo apartment complex. An ambulance was called. Despite a lack of oxygen for 10 minutes or more, she survived.

The girl was Juanita Gambrell. Her rescuer was Junior Smith, former bank executive, who became her mentor. When his bank was hiring only relatives of those who were currently employed, Smith went to human resources and identified her as his daughter. That led to a job as a bank teller.

"We need each other," Floyd said, "and we love each other."

### NOTABLES

"Unity is defined as being together or in harmony," Floyd emphasized. "I believe in unity." With ICC's celebration of unity during Black History Month, Floyd recalled several notables who have made a difference.

Among them were Carter G. Woodson, the father of black history, who was the son of former slaves.

And then there was Harriet Tubman, who was born into slavery, who escaped and subsequently made rescue missions using the Underground Railroad.

She also mentioned Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the most visible spokesperson for nonviolence.

### LEARNING FROM THE BEST

Floyd related the story of a black factory worker who stood on her feet all day, working in a factory. "Her hands and feet were tired," she said.

That factory worker taught her little girl, the only black second grader in her school, to answer only to her name. Other children

wouldn't play with her, but her mother encouraged, "You are loved and not hated. You must love."

The mother had only an eighth grade education, but she wanted better for her daughter. Education, she said, "is the only way you can be better than me."

That little girl graduated from high school and community college and earned her degree from Ole Miss.

On her graduation day, the little girl's mother, Bernice Gambrell, walked up to her daughter, Juanita, with tears in her eyes. "You deserve this degree," she said.

### INSPIRATION

In telling her story, Floyd encouraged the students in the audience to "leave this world a better place. I pray I inspire you to make a difference. You have the responsibility to make a difference. You are standing on the shoulders of giants."

On her 20th anniversary with CREATE, the Foundation established the Bernice Gambrell Endowment Fund.



# #iccfamily

## Meeting Room

### CLUB NEWS & CALENDAR

#### FULTON CAMPUS

Art Club	Shawn Whittington	862.8301
Bass Club	Ethan Cruse	862.8233
Book Club	Holly Gray	862.8381
Chieftain	Donna Thomas	862.8244
Computer Science	Bradley Howard	620.5329
Film Club	Morgan Cutturi	862.8167
Forestry Club	Emily Loden Jones	862.8147
Fut. Ed. of Amer.	Chris Cox	862.8181
	Bobby Jarrell	862.8183
Gospel Sounds	Carrie B. Williamson	862.8123
Indian Delegation	Dr. Melissa Haab	862.8051
LIN Report	Maggie Caldwell	862.8241
Mirror	C.J. Adams	862.8074
Modern Language	Anna Begnaud	862.8292
Phi Theta Kappa	Robin Lowe	862.8166
	Heather McCormick	862.8191
	Jay Humphries	862.8381
Political Science	Chris Stevenson	862.8169
	Dr. John Arnold	862.8157
Science Club	Dr. Jada Mills	862.8369
	Lindsey Patterson	862.8359
Student Gov. Assn.	Dr. Chad Case	862.8232
	Jake Hartfield	862.8428
Travel Tribe	Jessi Stevenson	862.8308
	Dr. Edana Nail	862.8056
	Chris Stevenson	862.8169

#### TUPELO CAMPUS

Bass Club	Ethan Cruse	862.8233
Comp. Prog./Net.	Tanya Cox	620.5114
Diversity Club	Sheree Lence	620.5036
Future Rad. Tech.	Paul Crum	620.5233
Future Resp. Ther.	Adam Denton	620.5238
Indian Delegation	Michael Holloway	620.5278
Legal Ed. Assn.	Jamie Hall	620.5342
	Bo Rowland	620.5340
MOSA	Robin Sims	620.5222
NCP	Linda Bond	620.5210
OTA	Dee Dee Lomenick	620.5026
Phi Theta Kappa	Jenny Bowers	620.5045
	Dr. Delena Hukle	620.5163
	Dr. Ira Lindsay Jones	620.5043
	Dr. Bruce Ingram	620.5302
Student Gov. Assn.	Cynthia Adams	620.5305
SHIMA	Donna Vaughn	620.5123
Student PTA Club	Dr. Cheryl Ware	620.5025

#### RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

BSU	Chris Burrows	862.3278
FCA	Carrie Ball-Williamson	862.8123
Wesley Foundation	Brenton Banko	678.3859

## Students join Phi Theta Kappa

#### Staff Reports

Several students have joined Phi Theta Kappa chapters at Itawamba Community College.

New members of the Beta Tau Sigma Chapter at the Tupelo Campus include Christopher Duncan, Moesha Payne, Robert Bradley, Makenna Grubbs, Jenna Funderburk, Cody Voyles, Christopher Gregory, Karli Harris, Jordan McDonald, Anna McKinney, Dustin English, Zoe Holder, Macy McMillian, Amber Adams, Katelyn Nelson, Lori Funderburk, Megan Herring, Madison Little, Chloe Devaughn, Melina Garner, Madeline Hamilton, Marasia Harris, Alison Huckaby and Marion Nichols.

Those who have joined the Upsilon Sigma Chapter on the Tupelo Campus are Asantee Buckingham, Aaliyah Haughton, Ben Carr, Sadie McKnight, Joseph Axton, John Box, Micah Goldman, Maxwell Smaglick, Ty-Janique Reed of Coffeeville; Preston Moore, Annabell Roper, Nayeli

Bedolla, Halle Hollingsworth, Sarah Bunnell, Jessica Davis, Hannah Bishop, Avory Graham, James Nanney, Madison Harris, Chad Stephens, Reece Ott, Landry Whitworth, Maleigh Collier, Alyssa Greer, Antonio Buchanan, Kylee Eubank, Millie Mask, Kameron Miller, Lillian Angle, Nicholas Cooper, Hunter Payne, Jenna Schaefer, Marlee Schaefer, Dustin Vancil, Cassidy Williams, Mary-Elizabeth Moore, Anna Kemp, Tanner Mears, Brodie Smith, Michael Stevens, Hiram Wadlington, Tara Buse, Geneva Leckie, Maxwell Parham and James Yates.

PTK is the international honor society for the two-year college. It's hallmarks are leadership, scholarship, fellowship and service. Members are afforded opportunities for personal and professional growth and to provide service to the community and society at large.



## Student Activities Something for everyone



Student activities at ICC include such as intramural tournaments, breakfasts, luncheons, appreciation events and more. For a list of what's coming up, see page 12 in this issue or check the calendar at [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu).



## SEI surveys available soon; response needed

#### Staff Reports

ICC's administration needs the assistance of all students in reviewing instruction and supportive services.

#### HOW IT WORKS

Students may provide their opinions through the spring semester's Student Evaluation of Instruction, according to Diann Nichols, assessment coordinator in the office of Strategic Planning and Institutional Effectiveness. Each student will receive these surveys throughout the semester based on term dates. Students will receive an email survey for each class (traditional, online and hybrid) in which they are enrolled. SEIs will populate inside each course in Canvas so that students may choose to take the SEI via the email invitation or Canvas link based on personal preference for each class.

All student survey responses remain anonymous, and instructors do not receive the SEI results until after submitting final grades at the end of each semester. ICC's administration may review all comments made in the SEIs.

#### SEPARATE LINKS

Student services surveys for admissions, financial aid, campus police, student activities, fitness center and student housing will be sent with a separate link for each survey to student email addresses and be available at staggered times through March and April.

#### SURVEYS VITAL

Because student opinions are very important to improving the services and instruction that ICC provides, the administration encourages each student to complete all surveys, Nichols said.

Students will receive the student services surveys through their ICC email address. If students are unable to locate the survey email, they are asked to check additional email folders such as the other and junk mail folders, Nichols said.

For more information, email [dmnichols@iccms.edu](mailto:dmnichols@iccms.edu).

# Most Beautiful Pageant February 18



## Want To Know MORE?

### FULTON CAMPUS

Information on	Contact
Academic Honors.....	Admissions
Activities Calendar.....	Dean of Students
Admissions/Records.....	Admissions
Advanced Placement.....	V.P. of Instructional Services
Athletics.....	Athletic Director
Band.....	Band Director
Books/Supplies.....	Bookstore
Career Planning.....	Adviser/Advising Center
Car Registration/Decals.....	Campus Police
Change of Adviser/Major.....	Advising Center
Change in Curriculum.....	Adviser/Student Affairs
Counseling.....	Student Affairs
Counseling (Personal).....	Dean of Students
Course Placement.....	V.P. of Instructional Services
Evaluation of Credits.....	Admissions
Examinations.....	Instructor
Faculty Office Hours.....	Instructor
Graduation Req.....	Admissions
I.D. Cards.....	Student Affairs
Intramurals/Activities.....	Coor. of Student Activities
Library.....	Director of Learning Resources
Log-Ins/PINs.....	TIS Help Desk
Parking.....	Campus Police
Part-Time Jobs.....	Student Affairs
Placement Testing.....	Student Affairs
Publicity/Publications.....	Community Relations
Registration.....	Admissions
Schedule Changes.....	Adviser
Schedule Planning.....	Adviser
Scholarships.....	Financial Aid
Student Aid/Work Study.....	Financial Aid
Student Government.....	Housing Director
Student Organizations.....	Sponsors
Summer School.....	Student Affairs
	V.P. of Instructional Services
Testing (Career).....	Career Center
Transcripts.....	Admissions
Tuition, Fees, Deferrals.....	Business office
Use of Campus Property.....	Dean of Students
Veterans Affairs.....	Financial Aid

### TUPELO CAMPUS

Admissions/Records.....	Student Affairs
Advanced Placement Credit.....	V.P. Instructional Services
Books and Supplies.....	Bookstore
Career Planning.....	Adviser/Career Center
Car Registration/Decals.....	Campus Police
Counseling.....	Student Affairs
Evaluation of Credits.....	Admissions
I.D. Cards.....	Student Affairs
Job Placement.....	Career Center
Library.....	Learning Resource Center
Log-Ins/PINs.....	TIS Help Desk
Parking.....	Campus Police
Registration/Early-Reg.....	Student Affairs
Schedule Planning.....	Student Affairs
Scholarships.....	Financial Aid
Student Activities.....	Student Affairs
Student Aid.....	Financial Aid office
Student Government.....	Housing Director
Transcripts.....	Student Affairs
Tuition and Fees.....	Business office
Veterans Affairs.....	Financial Aid office

### BELDEN CENTER

Adult Ed./High School Equivalency.....	Julia Houston
Continuing Education.....	Debi Martin
WIOA.....	Brad Gates
Workforce.....	Dr. Joe Lowder



Participants in the ManUp program at Itawamba Community College visit the Capitol, Jan. 29, for Woodward Hines Educational Foundation Capitol Day. The event included meeting with Senators Chad McMahan and Daniel H. Sparks and talking with James Meredith, the first African-American to attend Ole Miss.

## Tutoring, workshops available MAN UP provides option for ICC's minority males

### Staff Reports

Minority males at ICC continue to have the opportunity to take advantage of the MAN UP program, which has been implemented to equip those students with the skills necessary to achieve academic success, according to Dr. Emily Tucker, recruitment coordinator and adviser.

MAN UP includes homework assistance and tutoring services (two hours each week) and planned life skills education training and workshops/mentoring sessions.

The tutoring schedule includes Mondays, 1:30-2:30 p.m. and 3:15-4:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. and 2:35-4:30 p.m.; Wednesdays, 1-4:30 p.m.; and Thursdays, 3:30-4:30 p.m., all in room 110 of the Crubaugh Technical Education Building at the Fulton Campus.

Program participants will also receive an overview of the latest fi-

nancial aid opportunities available at ICC as well as sessions on financial management, drug/alcohol

academic success, retention, graduation rates and provide life skills for students beyond the college environment," Tucker said.

The program has been made possible by a \$40,000 grant from the Woodward Hines Education Foundation.

"Through the generosity of the Woodward Hines Foundation, the Minority Male Success program will make a meaningful difference in the lives of many students in our service area as well as the economy of our state by helping to increase the number of graduates from Itawamba Community College," said ICC President Dr. Jay Allen.

For more information, contact Tucker at (662) 407-1537 or [etucker@iccms.edu](mailto:etucker@iccms.edu); Dr. Bobby Solomon at (662) 862-8032 or [rt-solomon@iccms.edu](mailto:rt-solomon@iccms.edu) or email [manup@iccms.edu](mailto:manup@iccms.edu).

*“  
The  
program  
will make a  
meaningful  
difference in  
the lives of  
many  
students...  
”*

awareness and decision-making and problem-solving.

"We expect the program to be a model to contribute to higher ac-

## Communication is topic of Feb. 25 Humanities presentation

### Staff Reports

Jessi Stevenson of Man-tachie, Fine Arts instructor at Itawamba Community College and 2020 Mississippi Humanities Teacher Award recipient, will present "Changing the World One Communicator at a Time: A discussion of oxytocin, the power of storytelling and the importance of dialogue in the communication process" at 6 p.m., Feb. 25, in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts

Center auditorium at the Fulton Campus.

A native of Bruce, Stevenson has been employed since 2006 with ICC, where she also serves as co-director of the ICC Travel Tribe, an extracurricular academic class that allows students to travel while earning course credit, and sponsor of the Communication Chiefs, an advising club for students interested in pur-

suing a career in fields related to communication.

She began her education in 1998 at ICC, and her additional degrees include both the bachelor's and master's degrees from Mississippi State University. She has completed additional coursework in theatre arts from the University of North Alabama. Previously she taught public speaking and communication courses

at Beville State Community College in Alabama.

She will be honored at the Mississippi Humanities Council Public Awards ceremony, Mar. 27, in Jackson.

Stevenson and her husband, Chris, who is the chair of the Social Science division at ICC, are the parents of two sons, Rourke and Riley.

The public is invited, and admission is free.



Jessi Stevenson

## Your connection to ICC...



## Deans' list includes scholars with 3.5-3.79 GPA

Officials at Itawamba Community College have released the honors list for the 2019 fall semester.

Named to the dean's list, which includes those students with a 3.5-3.79 grade point average were

**Aberdeen** - Caroline Pace Carson, Jaden M. Buchanan, Kameron Alexis Roberts, Miranda P. Phipps, Perashia C. Dunlap, Raina Harley Alexis Boggan, **Ackerman** - Kinala C. Gammon, **Adamsville, Tenn.** - Kara Elizabeth White, **Amory** - Andrea Claire Crosby, Cameron Michael Koshn, Camron Gabe Wright, Cole Andrew Kent, Jessica L. Anderson, Joseph Allen Axton, Kailey L. Cox, Karrison McKenzie Callahan, Kaylee Brooke McCollum, Kaylen Elizabeth Colbert, Logan Michelle Griffith, Macie Anne Mitchell, Mackenzie Lea Gallop, Madison Brooke West, Maxwell Gerald Smaglick, Micah Annette Goldman, Savannah Alizay Legaspi, Timothy Scott Bunch, Wilson Scott Cantrell, Brady Colin Childers, Jacob Cade Cumberland, Hastings S. McMillan, Nathan Lane Russell, Charles Justin Sanders, Ontray D. Shumpert, Ragan L. Pears, Summer Grace Smithoy; **Baldwyn** - Cheyenne A. Etheridge, Haley E. Foster, Andrew G. Albers, Pamela Denise Green; **Belden** - Alexis Kristen Bradley, Amy Renee Conway, Carrie Addelyn Bridges, Connor Blake Evans, Hunter E. Johnson, Jennifer Rebecca Lenoire, Jonathan Randall Stevens, William Edwin Hood, James Hayden Elliott, Timothy Alan Stanley; **Belmont** - Alejandro J. Rivera, Emily Megan Fowler; **Blue Mountain** - Ismael Moreno; **Blue Springs** - Brandon Stephen Dillard, Jennifer Lynn Baker, Jonathan B. Lee, Kaleb A. Mills, Kenzie C. Roberts, Maggie C. Meier, Alyssa Elaine Steris; **Booneville** - Jerus Neal Maxey, Olivia Ann Tolar; **Calhoun City** - Jocie Adeena Ellett, Landyn G. Stoddard; **Cedarbluff** - Kaitlyn M. Smith; **Coffeeville** - Ty Janique Tyonna Reed, Joshua D. Owens; **Columbus** - Jakyra Nichole Brooks, Kelsi Nicole Speed, **Cowdell** - Benjamin M. Rose, Carter B. Chandler, Kayla Starr Marie Gray, James M. Wood; **Decatur, Ala.** - Brylee P. Yarbrough; **Dennis** - Hannah Brielle Sartin; **Detroit, Ala.** - Christopher Tyler Robison; **Dumas** - Benjamin G. Fryar; **Eacu** - Avoona Shakira Wright, Forrest C. Hooper, Hannah Brooke Scott, Julius Reyburn Dohbs, Kimberly L. Williams, Vanessa Lopez, George Gomez; **Eapora** - Chase Alexander Hayes; **Florence, Ala.** - Brianna D. Fossey; **Fulton** - Aaliyah Nychole Spearman, Abbie Grace Senter, Alesha Marie Roberts, Austin Blake Guntharp, Benjamin Skylar Grisson, Bethany Lynn Rose, Calise Beth Yielding, Cheyenne Rayne Walker, Emily Marie Johnson, Emma B. Murphree, Haley Lauren Watson, Iris B. Bennett, Jackson W. Futrell, Jamal Antonio Shumpert, Jordan Ashley Brock, Kayleigh Raegen Underwood, Kaylee Nicole Phillips, Kelsie D. Graham, Reid Evan Bailey, Renetta Gail Bennett, Selena G. Griffin, Selena N. Pierce, Sharon Nell Cole, Skylar Jade Timms, Alexandra G. Holte, Sonny Lane White, Destiny A. Stegall, Kayla Alyse Wallace; **Golden** - Benjamin A. Hubbard, Cameron Avery Orr, Chase Quinn Allen, Diana C. Salinas, Savannah Rose Cleveland, Stephanie Paige Crandell, James Gary Honeycutt; **Greenwood Springs** - Jeffrey Lake Phillips, Rhonda A. Bailey, Christopher J. Fair; **Hantoway** - Amos Kali Parker, Bryce A. Capobianco, Colby A. Davis, Henry Thomas White, JaMarcus Tyresse Young, Payton Joseph Phillips, Tucker Bradley Johnson, Shadow Stone Martin, Nickie Lynn Williams; **Hamilton** - Austin Cade Smith, Brittany Nicole Logan, Jacob Jones; **Hawkins** - Mitchell Cockerham, Brodie Maun Elfring, Tatum Brook Savage, Heidi R. Timmer, Stephen Thomas Young; **Hendersonsville, Tenn.** - Brett Coker; **Hernando** - Zachary A. Simpson, Zuri S. Dunlap; **Holly Springs** - LeKendrick C. Jones, Shellee A. Ingram; **Houda** - Bailey J. McVay, Brandon Lee Washington, Jerneshia Nicole Bean, Marianne L. Leflon, John A. Belcher, Faith Alexandria Knox, Jenessia Fernandez; **Houston** - Brandon M. Rimmer, Emily Christina Duncan, James Jered Bean, Katelyn LeNae Flake, Kylan Garret Carter, Mark A. Varel, Megan Elizabeth Reed, Nala K. Neely; **Iuka** - Tabatha N. Talley, Emily Anne Wright; **Jack** - Ro'Darien S. Pendleton; **Lamar** - Jamia Shontoria Allen; **Louisville** - Montravious Deshun Johnson, Sarah Bunnell; **Macon** - Anna N. Borntrager; **Madison** - Peyton Samuel Rea; **Mantachie** - Abigail Elizabeth Prochaska, Annalissy E. Stegall; **Marion** - Robert Brandon Thompson, Alexis Danville Garrison; **Marietta** - Carson Tucker Burns, Cheyenne Nicole Cassler, Collin Dale Roberts, Hannah Dianne Sparks, Justin T. Sykes, Madison Joy Harris, Wesley Blake Hood; **Mobile, Ala.** - Collins Moore; **Mooreville** - Alecia Michelle Turner, Brayden Michael Parker, Hayley Aase Cunningham, Landry Scott Whitworth, Matthew L. Barkley, Reece Deanna Ott, Teraney C. Lansdell, Parker R. Tipton, Alexandria Colet Bean; **Natchez** - Kelsey M. Lowe; **Nesbit** - Anna Katherine Tarsi; **Nettleton** - Claire Rochelle Oswalt, Jaitlyn T. Kidd, Julie Marie McDonald, Mary Beth Oliver, Olivia L. Adams, Roy Joseph Whitenton, Summer Brooke Holley, Jordan Allen McDonald, Dakota A. Payne, Stover Clay Phillips, Marnie Thompson; **New Albany** - Alan N. Servin, Brennan Kade Clark, Callie Elizabeth Robbins, Hillary Fayth McBrayer, Molly B. White, Rachel C. McDonald, Reatha A. Criswell, Shelby J. Tanner; **Oakland** - Corra Renee Moore; **Okolona** - Breanna V. Gilleylen, Kai'Lyn N. Keris High, Katelyn Faye Lowry, Tyerareous R. Small; **Olive Branch** - Alexis C. Yelverton, Brayden S. Hellums; **Oxford** - Ally Virginia Shinnall, Hiram D. Wadlington, KlayNaya R. Horton, Kody Michael Hunter, Luke J. Phillips; **Philadelphia** - Hayden C. Embry; **Plantersville** - Kameron Alysia Miller, Lauryn Alicia Tubbs, Macy Claire McMillen, Hunter Kade Holley; **Pontotoc** - Abigail Elizabeth Bland, Adeyn R. McGregor, Alaina C. Weeks, Alejandro Lamar Barron, Andrea Nicole Hard, Angellee N. Berry, Anna Elizabeth Chandler, Bobbie Deana Mills, Brandon Garrett Thomas, Cameron Rae Lavigne, Caroline F. Russell, Daisheonna L. Clay, Dustin Scott Vancil, Emma K. Carville, Gabrielle L. Isbell, Georgia C. Akers, Hollan Parrish Clowers, Hunter Cole Payne, James Wyatt Gunter, James Elliott Montgomery, Je'Miracle Krishay Usher, Jennifer Jimenez Aguilar, Lindsey Leigh Lewis, Logan Andrew Cleveland, Madelyn R. McGregor, Maria G. Rocha, McKinley Grace Stegall, Meredith Grace McCullar, Nathan Lee Rudasill, Sara Elizabeth Brown, Sherman Jarrod Ross, Tanya G. Hernandez, Taylor Hughes, Taylor Leann New, William Mitchell Cook, William B. Duke, William Mark Sappington, Jason D. Bock, John Houston Enlow, Justin Andrew Fooshee, Jerri A. Holmes, Austin L. Littlejohn, Matthew B. Swords, William Ashton Waldrop, Bailey Martin Wray, Ashlyn Elizabeth Foster, Cheryol R. Walls, Ryan Harmon Watts; **Randolph** - Kaylee M. Ray; **Saltville** - Addison Elizabeth Priest, Ally Jean Cleveland, Antonio L. Vance, Asil Ayed Arar, Asma M. Erar, Brianna Nicole Carter, Brodie Lee Smith, Bryceton E. Mitchell, Carly Christina Castleberry, Carson Elizabeth Enlow, Chandler Scott Knight, Charles Ray Miller, Cole Jacob Raistrick, Emily Elizabeth Shaffer, Ethan J. Bonfield, Hunter Gordon McBride, Kameron Paige Johnson, Kalyika Bre'Nay Pulpus, Kiah Monique Ware, Lydia Grace Owens, Madisen T. Beasley, Maggie R. White, Mallori Peek, Megan Renee Lansdell, Mykiera Lashun Cook, Noah Blake Moody, Ryan Todd Mellon, Staci R. Morgan, William Thomas Porter, Jesse A. Richards; **Shannon** - Kathleen Tatum Rosenthal, Lia E. Burleson, Taylor Gentry Marion, Toby Allen Homan, Katelyn Elizabeth Smith, Makayla Rachel Young; **Smithville** - Brandon Michael Bennett, Callie Brooke Williams, Jim'Ann M. Taylor, Auston Lee Ballard, Thomas W. Bowers, Subrena Holloway, Daniel James Frayer, Hailey Mesheal Hughes; **Southern** - Connor C. Gardner, Diego Trujillo, Sara LaKay Eckhoff; **Starkville** - Rainey Elizabeth Wells; **Thaxton** - Cheryl D. Flemons, Travis L. Harris, Sara Rebekah McCord; **Tremont** - Dustin Lee Kent, Hunter Austin Spearman, Jasmine Elizabeth Gilliland, Savannah C. Crowley; **Tupelo** - Abby Grace Timms, Abigail Leigh Strickland, Adrian Ladale Hester, Amber Z. Jones, Analise B. Mobley, Andrew J. Beard, Ashley Mae Sykes, Bryan Manuel Alcala, Claire R. Steen, Danely Blanco, Destiny Jahiah Vaughn, Ebony Sharady Herron, Emma Marie Nichols, Harmon S. Judon, Jack Thomas Baker, James F. Yates, Jaylin Michael Wilson, Jon Michael B. Barnett, Joseph Mitchell Bennett, Josie Kate Reeves, Kalyah D. Clay, Kameron K. Bell, Katelyn Rae Vance, Katherine Makenzie Pettit, Kayden Marie Rigby, Kiera Autumn Calvert, Laina N. Lowry, Lucy Louise Dexter, Mallory Elizabeth Reed, Marcela E. Loez Clay, Marlene Dietrich Lockridge, Mi Dan Huynh, Misty N. Hamilton, Morgan Renea Wilson, Myia S. Reed, Nathan VanPhan, Preston Taylor Noland, Richard Bryant Morgan, Robert Judson Carroll, Robin L. Sutton, Rodney Lynn Crump, Sarbiot Singh, Tatianna Latavia Brown, Timothy Ryan Pitt, Troquard A. Hughes, Tyler Christian Estes, William Clayton Conn, Zakayla A. Buchanan, Tristan K. Bates, Robert Wayne Clements, Franklin Tyler Gregory, Candice Hall, Aubrey Jeanne Betts, Caroline B. Fitch, Jordan Rebecca Franco, Tiara S. Truce, Edgar Osai Zainiga; **Vardaman** - Kaitlyn Broderick Vina, Ala. - Sydney C. Hardin; **Wesson** - Charlotte Rose Drane; **Winfield, Ala.** - Andrea Annjanette Jones, Kirstyn N. Gilbert; and **Woodland** - Zachary Gage Callahan.



ICC's Academic and Student Center at the Tupelo Campus stands ready for occupancy.

## March open house set for Tupelo Academic and Student Center

HANNAH SCOTT  
Staff Writer

Itawamba Community College has a new building expected to open next month at the Tupelo Campus.

The first floor of the Academic and Student Center will be primarily student service oriented, according to Tim Senter, executive director of human resources. Departments such as admissions, financial aid, business services, advising, recruiting and supportive services will be located on the first floor. In addition, students will also be able to access the computer lab, cafeteria and the book-

store with a We Proudly Serve Starbucks coffee shop.

The second floor of the new facility will include 14 classrooms. As of now, the courses that will be taught in these classrooms are social sciences, which would be history, sociology and psychology. Also included are fine arts courses, public speaking and music appreciation as well as a variety of business courses.

Senter said a date has not been set for the official opening of the building. However, an open house is planned for Mar. 2. This would allow individuals to observe areas

such as the cafeteria and bookstore.

"I'm excited for what the Academic and Student Center will bring to the Tupelo Campus," Senter said. "For prospective students, everything they need to enroll will be located in a centralized place. For current students, it will provide large classroom space, areas to study and commodities like the cafeteria, bookstore and coffee shop. Additionally, it will provide opportunity for renovation of our older buildings whose services will be transferring to the new building."

## Indians Got Talent

LINDSEY ROBERTS  
Staff Writer

Indians Got Talent is an annual event during the spring, which ends during Indian Week.

Originally called Indian Idol, it was changed so there could be more talents than just singing, according to Jake Hartfield, director of student activities.

Signups start Feb. 24 through the link bit.ly/icigt2020. Auditions will start Mar. 16-18 in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium. Audition times are 3-5 p.m. on Mar. 16, 5-7 p.m. on Mar. 17 and 6-8 p.m., Mar. 18.

"After auditions, we work with the contestants on their talent and

then get them into the production part of it," Hartfield said. "We prep for performance nights, which are Mar. 31 and Apr. 7 at 7 p.m. in the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center auditorium.

The finale is at 7 p.m., Apr. 15. During each round, contestants are eliminated so in the finale there are only 4-5 contestants or groups.

"It is a great opportunity for students to showcase their talent, but it's also great for the student body to see how much talent we have here at ICC," Hartfield said. "There is no limit of how many can be in a group, but only one person needs to sign up and they list all members' names."



Additional talents besides vocal were the reason for the switch to Indians Got Talent.

# Poetry Slam tonight...6 p.m.

## David C. Cole Student Services Building - Fulton Campus



## UPCOMING Music&Arts, ETC...

Music and arts  
events  
can be located  
at  
[www.iccms.edu -  
calendar.](http://www.iccms.edu-calendar)

### Student cast in rehearsal for dinner theatre

**BROOKLYN HALL**  
Staff Writer

Learn about Nick Cristano as he goes "Over the River and Through the Woods" to his grandmother's house in the upcoming dinner theatre that is to be performed by ICC students in late March in the David C. Cole Student Services Building banquet rooms.

The Joe DiPietro hilarious comedy is about a lively Italian family, which focuses on Nick and his decision to move away from his grandparents or stay in New York. To sweeten the deal to stay, the relatives have a plan...invite a pretty girl to dinner.

ICC students can follow Nick's journey, Mar. 24 at 7 p.m. during a performance that does not include dinner. The dinner theatre shows will be Mar. 26-28 at 6:30 p.m. for the public. The tickets are \$20, which will include a full meal. The menu includes parmesan chicken, roast beef, garlic mashed potatoes, vegetable medley, tossed salad, red velvet cake and cheesecake with strawberry glaze.



**Members of the cast and crew include Morgan Bailey, Kailey Cox, Emily Shaffer, Martie Knox; standing, Lindsey Roberts, Colton Sumner, Dayton Shegog, Mason Fisher and Maggie Garrett.**

The cast includes Dayton Shegog of Southaven (Nick Carson), Mason Fisher of Mantachie (Frank Gianelli), Kailey Cox of Amory (Aida Gianelli), Colton Sumner of Smithville (Nunzio Cristano), Morgan Bailey of Belden (Emma Cristano) and Emily Shaffer of Salltillo (Caitlin O'Hare). Members of the crew are Martie Knox of Amory, stage manager; Maggie Garrett of Pontotoc, publicity manager; and Lindsey Roberts of Guntown, prop mistress and sound technician. The director is Dr. Laurie McBride of Fulton.

ICC students auditioned for the play in the fall and began rehearsals, Jan. 13. The extensive practice that will go into this performance will include students learning new accents, applying stage makeup and wearing decade-specific costumes, McBride said.

McBride said the play has an intimate touch to it, but it also contains some humor. "I just love drama, and I love to entertain people." She said that she loves directing theatre and helping the students transform into character and step out of their comfort zones.

Join McBride and the cast of "Over the River and Through the Woods" in March to see how Nick Cristano navigates the woods and overcomes different obstacles as he chooses which path to take in his life.

To purchase tickets, [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu) and click on the Web banner for the dinner theatre, or for more information, call (662) 862-8307.



ICC students view the work of Sean Star Wars of Laurel.

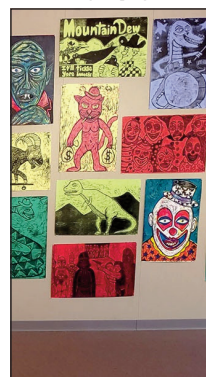
# Carved By Hand

Staff Reports

'Carved by Hand,' a collection of woodcut prints by Sean 'Star Wars' of Laurel, will be on display through Feb. 20 at the W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center gallery at the ICC Fulton Campus.

Sean Star Wars earned his M.F.A. degree in printmaking from Louisiana State University. In addition to making woodcuts for more than 25 years, he has been an adjunct professor, a janitor and a used car salesman. He currently works full-time as a printmaker, and he makes about a dozen visiting artist appear-

ances a year at many of the nation's leading art programs. Star



Wars is a member of the leg-

endary Outlaw Printmakers, and his work is in numerous public and private collections. It can also be seen on the covers of books and albums, magazines, television programs, films and commercials. He is currently embarking on his most challenging project ever, a woodcut a week "FOR LIFE."

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. but closed on college holidays.

For more information, contact Shawn Whittington at [eswhittington@iccms.edu](mailto:eswhittington@iccms.edu) or (662)

862-8301.

## Art Scholarship



**ICC art student Genesis Guzman of Pontotoc receives a scholarship from Dr. Lee Waltress on behalf of the Pontotoc Art Guild recently at the Fulton Campus. She was selected to receive the award by the Guild and the ICC art faculty based on her high grade point average. The Pontotoc Art Guild was established in 2012. Also present but not pictured were Guild member Robbie Boyd and the recipient's parents, Jose Guzman and Doribell Guzman.**

FYI

MAKE A NOTE OF IT

## JUST A REMINDER...

## Review lockdown procedures

ICC's faculty, staff and students are urged to review campus lockdown procedures.

"The procedures are meant to be very simple because at the point of a lockdown, the major concern is the safety of all of the individuals in the campus community," said Dr. Brad Boggs, dean of students.

Notifications will be communicated via ICC ALERT, email and the Emergency Information Web page.

Upon notification of campus lockdown, everyone must react immediately.

The procedures include

- 1) Lock all doors and windows.
- 2) Close all blinds.
- 3) Turn off lights.
- 4) Use room furnishings to barricade doors and as protection.

- 5) Everyone should sit on the floor, away from doors and windows.
- 6) Make no noise.

- 7) Remain in lockdown until it is cleared with a notice via ICC ALERT or the police/administrator gives the ALL CLEAR code.

In addition, these are procedures in the event of severe weather conditions or evacuation.

Individuals should check ICC's website, [www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu), for information. It's located under Campus Safety on the home page.

## Sign up for ICC ALERT

ICC provides a mass notification system called ICC ALERT.

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to participate in the free service.

ICC ALERT has been utilized for inclement weather situations when classes and offices were closed due to snow and icing conditions and when storms threatened the area.

To sign up to receive emergency messages through ICC ALERT: 1) Log on to the myTribe portal using your name and password; 2) Click ICC ALERT system in the link section on the bottom right; 3) Log in with your same username and password as myTribe to add/update your information.

For assistance with technical issues, contact the TIS Help Desk at (662) 862-8295 or via email at [helpdesk@iccms.edu](mailto:helpdesk@iccms.edu).

## Litter-free

Everyone is reminded to use trash receptacles for litter. It's up to all of us to show our pride by ensuring that all three locations are litter-free.

## Shuttle

Students commuting between the Fulton and Tupelo campuses continue to have the opportunity to take advantage of a free shuttle service.

The service begins and ends in Fulton with stops in front of the Student Services buildings on both campuses as well as at the Health Science Education Center at the Tupelo Campus.

Those who ride the shuttle must have a valid ICC ID card. The shuttle departs from Fulton at 6:30 a.m. and from Tupelo at 7 a.m.; from Tupelo at 7:15 a.m. and arrives Fulton at 7:45 a.m. In the afternoon, it departs from Fulton at 3 p.m., arrives in Tupelo at 3:30 p.m.; departs Tupelo at 3:35 p.m. and arrives in Fulton at 4:05 p.m.

## No noise

Unnecessary noise is banned at Itawamba Community College, including loud music, yelling and screaming.

Students who are found guilty of noise violations will be fined, and the fine will double with each successive violation.

## Campus Police

ICC-Belden...662.687.2752

ICC-Fulton...662.687.2750

ICC-Tupelo...662.687.2751



Mississippi State University President Mark E. Keenum, left, and ICC President Jay Allen sign an agreement in mid-December, outlining a pathway for ICC students to complete MSU's new Bachelor of Applied Science program. - Photo by Megan Bean, MSU

## MSU, ICC sign MOU for Applied Science degree program

Special to the Chieftain

Mississippi State University and Itawamba Community College have signed a memorandum of understanding to formalize partnership programs for students enrolled in technical education programs.

### THE AGREEMENT

The agreement outlines a pathway for ICC students to complete MSU's new Bachelor of Applied Science program, leveraging the strengths of both institutions to provide more opportunities in technical education and meet current and future workforce demands.

"We need more two-year and four-year graduates to move Mississippi forward," MSU President Mark E. Keenum said. "By working together, I believe we will be able to better assist our fellow Mississippians in gaining the education they need to compete for the jobs of the 21st century. We are committed to helping all of our BAS students excel, succeed and earn a bachelor's degree - building on the excellent foundation they have been given at ICC."

"This agreement will allow our students to better understand the true alignment between their semesters at ICC to their time at MSU while staying on track and realizing the quality of both institutions," said ICC President Jay Allen. "The Bachelor of Applied Science degree recognizes the value of the technical degrees offered at Mississippi's community colleges and the impact they are making on Mississippi's workforce. This allows our previous, current and future degree graduates a natural progression for post-ICC educational endeavors while transferring up to 60 hours of credits."

### PROGRAM LAUNCH

MSU launched its Bachelor of Applied Science program in August, significantly expanding the university's acceptance of technical credit from community colleges and military training. It is intended to serve the needs of adults who have completed a technical associate's degree program through a community college or the military and need additional education to advance

their careers.

The agreement between MSU and ICC outlines which courses must be completed at each institution to fulfill degree requirements. An MSU adviser will assist in guiding ICC students through Bachelor of Applied Science program pathways. Additionally, ICC and MSU-Meridian will work together to provide classroom space for the delivery of synchronous online courses.

### ACCESS TO ADVISERS

Students enrolled in the Bachelor of Applied Science program and will have access to advisers from MSU-Meridian and MSU Online. Credits in the degree program can be earned through online or in-person courses, providing the flexibility that has become a hallmark of MSU's nationally-ranked online offerings.

For more information on the Bachelor of Applied Science program, visit <https://www.ms.state.edu/students/bachelor-of-applied-science>.



## Thank you!

ICC's Alumni Association hosted a member appreciation event last Monday at the Davis Event Center. Director of Advancement Michael Upton visits with guests.



## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Phi Theta Kappa**  
Purvis Center 109 - Tupelo  
Feb. 11 - 12:10 p.m.

**CPNA**  
Student Support Center - Tupelo  
Feb. 13 - 11:45 a.m.

**Computer Club**  
Crubaugh Technical Ed. Bldg. 209 - Fulton  
Feb. 20 - 12:10 p.m.

**CPNA**  
Student Support Center - Tupelo  
Mar. 5 - 11:45 a.m.

**Computer Club**  
Crubaugh Technical Ed. Bldg. 209 - Fulton  
Mar. 5 - 12:10 p.m.

**Phi Theta Kappa**  
Purvis Center 109 - Tupelo  
Mar. 17 - 12:10 p.m.

**Computer Club**  
Crubaugh Technical Ed. Bldg. 209 - Fulton  
Mar. 19 - 12:10 p.m.

**Fellowship of Christian Athletes**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts Center - Fulton  
Mar. 25 - 7 p.m.

**CPNA**  
Student Support Center - Tupelo  
Apr. 9 - 11:45 a.m.

For meeting updates,  
[www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu)  
"Calendar"

## Calliope Work selected for ICC's literary magazine

**Staff Reports** Pam Dankins of Amory, "Untitled Poem;" Rain Walker of Fulton, "I Am not Your God;" Emily Shaffer of Saltillo, "1:54 am; Jay Biffle of Thaxton, "Empathy;" and Michael Cook of Pontotoc, "Cycles."

Calliope is expected to be out in April.

Keith Morris is the sponsor.

of Maben, "Stories;"

## McIntosh semifinalist for Cooke scholarship

### Staff Reports

Itawamba Community College sophomore TJ McIntosh of Wren has been selected as a semifinalist for the prestigious Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship.

McIntosh is majoring in biology with a pre-medicine concentration.

He serves as the vice president of scholarship for the Upsilon Sigma Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, vice president of the Student Government Association at the Fulton Campus and a member of the ICC All-American Band, Sigma Kappa Delta, Indian Delegation and the Science Club.

His honors include the President's List, recipient of the Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship and a the All-Missis-



**TJ McIntosh**

issippi Academic Team. He serves as a tutor for the Minority Achievement Network for Upward Progression (MAN UP) program at ICC.

His community service activi-

ties include the Upsilon Sigma Chapter's College Project and Honors in Action. McIntosh attends Greater New Prospect Missionary Baptist Church in Nettleton. He is the son of Torrance and Sylvia McIntosh.

The Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship is a highly selective scholarship for the nation's top community college students seeking to complete their bachelor's degrees at selective four-year colleges or universities. The Foundation provides up to \$40,000 per year for up to three years, making it among the largest private scholarships for community college transfer students in the country. - **See McIntosh, page thirteen.**



**ICC's orientation leaders include front, Hannah Scott, Katy Moore, Malaysia Hill, Karli Rose Harris, Miranda Flippo, Kayla Pritchett; middle, Audrey Aguilar, Grace Austin, Cailee Yielding, Jordan Brock, Jaydan Ray, Reilly Grace Carter; back, sponsor Dr. Melissa Haab, Shun Johnson, Brannon Wilder, Nestor Ortega, J.D. Burleson, Luke Lauderdale, Chase Allen and sponsor Jake Hartfield.**

## ICC selects 2020 orientation leaders

### Staff Reports

ICC has selected leaders for its 2020 freshman orientation sessions, which begin in April.

They include Miranda Flippo of Aberdeen; Katy Moore of Amory; Kayla Pritchett of Bellefontaine; J.D. Burleson of Blue Springs; Jaydan Ray of Caledonia; Hannah Scott of Ecu; Grace Austin of Eu-

pura; Cailee Yielding, Jordan Brock, both of Fulton; Chase Allen of Golden; Audrey Aguilar of Houston; Karli Rose Harris of Nettleton; Malaysia Hill, Brandon Wilder, both of Pontotoc; Reilly Grace Carter of Saltillo; Luke Lauderdale of Shannon; Shun Johnson of Tupelo; and Nestor Ortega of Verona. Sponsors are

Dr. Melissa Haab of Louisville and Jake Hartfield of Fulton.

They will lead small group activities, conduct campus tours and provide information to incoming freshmen during the orientation sessions, which are also scheduled for June and July at both the Fulton and Tupelo campuses.

## Cheerleader tryouts set for Mar. 26

### Staff Reports

ICC has scheduled its 2020-21 cheerleader and mascot tryouts for 4 p.m., Mar. 26, on the Fulton Campus in the Fitness Center gym.

Tryouts will include both the coed cheer and all-women squads and the mascot, Chief Winnemaw.

Clinics are scheduled for 4-6 p.m., Mar. 23 and 24 as well as open gym, Mar. 25, in the Fitness Center gym on

the Fulton Campus. The cost is \$30, and checks and money orders should be made payable to Itawamba Community College.

All participants are required to attend both clinic dates (open gym optional), according to cheer sponsor Evie Storey.

For tryouts, coed cheer participants will be required to perform a cheer, the ICC Fight Song, stunts and standing

and running tumbling. The cheer and ICC Fight Song will be taught to participants at the clinics.

Those who try out for mascot, Chief Winnemaw, will be required to perform a 1-2 minute skit using music and props.

For more information, call (662) 687-4574 or email [elstorey@iccms.edu](mailto:elstorey@iccms.edu).



**ICC cheerleaders show spirit in this file photo.**

**Connect with ICC  
through social media!**

BRIEFLY  
SPEAKINGRECRUITING  
VISITS

**UNA College of Arts and Sciences**  
David C. Cole Student Services Building  
Fulton Campus  
Feb. 12 - 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Mississippi State University**  
David C. Cole Student Services Building  
Fulton Campus  
Feb. 18 - 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Orientation sessions  
to begin in April

Staff Reports

Online registration for all spring and summer orientation sessions at ICC began last week.

All sessions are free.

Incoming freshmen with ACT scores of 24 and above are invited to participate in the Apr. 13 honors session, which begins with registration at 1 p.m. in the Band Hall at the Fulton Campus. The schedule includes welcome, both parent and student orientations, student advising and ID and shirt pickup.

Additional sessions for all students include Fulton Campus - Apr. 24, May 15, June 12 and July 14, all at 8:30 a.m. and June 9 at 1 p.m. and Tupelo Campus - Apr. 17 at 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.; May 1, June 16 and July 10, all at 8:30 a.m. and June 18 and July 16 at 5 p.m.

"Students can attend an orientation session regardless of the location where they will take classes during the fall semester.

"Among the advantages of attending an orientation session as soon as possible are scheduling summer and fall classes early and from a wide variety of options, including days, times and instructors and completing the process before graduation from high school," said Dr. Melissa Haab, dean of enrollment services.

The special parent/guest orientation will cover topics of special interest to enable them to assist their students in the transition to ICC.

ICC orientation is mandatory for all graduating high school seniors. Students must have submitted an application for admission as well as a copy of the ACT score before registering for orientation, and they should sign up as soon as possible since only a limited number can attend each session.

To register, students should access <http://www.iccms.edu/Orientation>.

For more information, call (662) 862-8251 or email [go2icc@iccms.edu](mailto:go2icc@iccms.edu).

**For up-to-date  
information  
on all  
opportunities,  
[www.iccms.edu](http://www.iccms.edu)**

ICC  
selects  
Nail,  
Johnson  
for HEADWAE

Dr. Edana Nail

Staff Reports

Dr. Edana Nail and Kalyn Johnson, both of Fulton, have been selected to represent ICC at the 33rd Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day, Working for Academic Excellence in Jackson.

HEADWAE is a program established by the Mississippi Legislature to honor outstanding faculty members and students from each institution of the Mississippi Association of Colleges. The goal of the program is to recognize and thank these remarkable individuals for their commitment to the future of Mississippi.

Nail, who is the Business Administration division chair and economics and business instructor, joined the ICC faculty in 2005. She is cosponsor of the Travel Tribe, vice president of the Faculty Association and a member of the College Council and several committees, including curriculum and syllabus. She earned the associate's degree from ICC, both bachelor's and doctoral degrees from Mississippi State University and the master's degree



Kalyn Johnson

from the University of Memphis. Her honors include Top 40 Under 40, Meritorious award, NISOD representative and publication of her dissertation. Her professional memberships are Mississippi Economic Council and the Itawamba County Development Council. She is a member of Trinity Baptist Church, where her activities are choir member and Sunday School teacher. She and her husband, Jay, are the parents of two children, Cade and Elyssa.

Johnson is majoring in biology at ICC, where she is president of the Upsilon Sigma chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, vice president of the Science Club, co-chair of the Honors in Action project, member of Sigma Kappa Delta and Supplemental Instruction leader. Her ICC honors are Honors College and President's List. She is the daughter of Charlotte Johnson and Joseph Johnson.

HEADWAE is sponsored by the corporate community and coordinated by the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning - Office of Academic and Student Affairs.



Itawamba Community College is a two-year public supported institution dedicated to providing high quality educational opportunities that are accessible and affordable for the diverse needs of Chickasaw, Itawamba, Lee, Monroe and Pontotoc counties.

Itawamba Community College fulfills its mission through 1) college-parallel programs that allow students to transfer a maximum of two years of college work to four-year colleges and universities; 2) technical and career programs that prepare students for immediate employment; 3) continuing education and community service programs for individuals striving for personal growth and/or personal enrichment; 4) contributing to the needs of business and industry; 5) educational programs and services that meet the diverse needs of students including student development opportunities; 6) adult basic education programs committed to increasing the literacy level of the adult population; 7) current technology to advance educational purpose, including traditional and online instructional services, student support services and business management; 8) strategies to encourage the improvement of relations and coordination of programs with high schools, community/junior colleges, four-year colleges and universities; 9) development and implementation of activities that encourage and promote civic responsibility; and 10) programs of leadership training and professional growth to improve skills of faculty and staff.

Candidates for admission to academic, career and technical programs may be admitted by diploma - students are required to present an official transcript from a high school accredited by the appropriate state or regional accreditation association; by completing the appropriate number of Carnegie units; by successfully completing the high school equivalency test - students are required to have an official copy of the high school equivalency transcript mailed to the Registrar/Director of Admissions; by advanced standing (college transfer students). Students graduating without a regular diploma (Occupational Diploma or Special Education Diploma) must successfully complete the high school equivalency test in order to be eligible for admission to Itawamba Community College. Some career education programs may have selective criteria for admission.

Itawamba Community College does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Dean of Students, 602 West Hill Street, Fulton, MS 38843, 662.962.8271, [TitleIXCoordinator@iccms.edu](mailto:TitleIXCoordinator@iccms.edu).

In compliance with Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX, Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Itawamba Community College makes available its curricular and extracurricular programs and its facilities to every qualified person regardless of race, sex, color, creed, national origin or disability.

Itawamba Community College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award the associate degree. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404.670.4500 for questions about the accreditation of Itawamba Community College.

**www.iccms.edu**  
**662.862.8000 (Fulton) • 662.620.5000 (Tupelo)**  
**662.407.1141 (Belden)**

## Registration continues for adult education

Staff Reports

Adult education classes are continuing in Itawamba Community College's five-county district.

The schedule includes

**Chickasaw County** - Houston WIN Center, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m.;

**Itawamba County** - Families First Resource Center (formerly Ful-

ton Grammar School), Tuesday and Thursday, 4-7 p.m.;

**Lee County** - Itawamba Community College-Belden, Monday and Tuesday, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m., Friday, 8 a.m.-noon; Tupelo Family Resource Center, Monday and Tuesday, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Wednesday and Thursday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m.-noon;

**Monroe County** - Amory WIN

Center, Tuesday and Thursday, 8 a.m.-noon, 5:30-8:30 p.m.;

**Pontotoc County** - Pontotoc WIN Center, Monday and Tuesday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and 5:30-8:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

The English As a Second Language schedule includes ICC Belden Center, Monday and Tuesday, 5:30-8:30 p.m. and ICC Belden Center day ESL

classes, TBA.

The classes provide an opportunity for students to prepare for the high school equivalency test or to learn basic skills in reading, math or writing. There is no charge for the classes. Books and other materials are furnished.

To register for any class or for more information, call (662) 407-1517.

**Chieftain staff members needed...**  
**email [dsthomas@iccms.edu](mailto:dsthomas@iccms.edu).**

## Upcoming student activities

**February 10**  
Intramural Volleyball  
Sign up online  
Tournament - Feb. 25-26

**February 19**  
Movie Night  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium  
Fulton Campus  
7 p.m.

**February 20**  
National Muffin Day Celebration  
Student Support Center lobby  
Tupelo Campus  
7:30-9:30 a.m.

**February 24**  
Intramural Tennis and  
Intramural Flag Football  
Sign up online

**February 25**  
Breakfast at Belden  
Training Entrance lobby  
7:30-9:30 a.m.

Intramural Indoor Volleyball  
Fitness Center Gym

**March 2-5**  
Student Government Association  
Officer Petitions

**March 4**  
Snacks and a Movie  
Student Support Center presentation room  
Tupelo Campus  
12:05 p.m.

**Movie Night**  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium  
Fulton Campus  
7 p.m.

**March 16**  
Intramural Billiards and  
Intramural Ping Pong  
Sign up online

Intramural Tennis Tournament  
Ends March 27

**Corndogs and Cornhole**  
Training Entrance Lobby  
Belden Center  
11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

**March 17, 18**  
Indians Got Talent Auditions  
W.O. Benjamin Fine Arts auditorium  
Fulton Campus  
Check for times.

**March 23**  
Wellness Week begins  
Student Support Center presentation room  
Tupelo Campus  
12:05 p.m.

For more information, contact  
Jake Hartfield  
Director of Student Activities  
662.862.8428 or  
jhartfield@iccms.edu



ICC has partnered with Everbridge to deliver information such as class closure which happened Wednesday afternoon due to the threat of severe weather. Messages are disseminated through text, phone and email.

## ICC ALERT system transitions to Everbridge

**HANNAH FLAKE**  
Staff Writer

Itawamba Community College has been using an alert system that sends out important notifications to all students, faculty and staff when any of the three locations are faced with inclement weather or other threats.

According to Andrea Senter, administrative assistant for Housing and the Dean of Students, anyone can sign up to receive these notifications through myTribe.

Senter said that recently ICC

has made a change in systems by partnering with Everbridge.

"Everbridge is an industry leader in emergency messaging that provides several enhancements to our old system," Senter said.

With the partnership, the ICC ALERT system has experienced many upgrades, including faster delivery speeds, personalized weather notifications, community messaging and more. All of these notifications will come through

the phone number, (662) 862-8277, Senter said.

It is very important that everyone adds this phone number to their phone so they can receive all of these notifications, Senter emphasized.

"At ICC, we truly care about the safety of our students and employees. We want them to be 'in the know' when it comes to severe weather or class closures. That is why we made the switch to Everbridge."

Did you go to college in Mississippi,  
but not get a degree?

Now make your  
**CREDITS COUNT.**



See how.  
**MSC2C.org/ActNow**  
1-833-C2C-4EDU  
(1-833-222-4338)

**COMPLETE<sup>2</sup>  
COMPLETE**  
One Degree Better



Complete 2 Complete (C2C) is a state program designed to help Mississippi adults complete their college degrees and create a brighter future.



**PRESIDENTS' DAY  
FEBRUARY 17**



nearly 1,500 applicants attending 311 community colleges in 45 states and the District of Columbia. McIntosh is one of 11 Mississippi community college students selected as semifinalists. The Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship recipients will be announced in April.

## Joyce, Shinall named United Soccer Coaches Scholar All-Americans

### Staff Reports

The United Soccer Coaches announced the association's 2019 Women's Scholar All-America teams for all levels of college soccer in late December.

For the second straight year, two ICC players were selected to the Junior College team.

Sophomores Grace Joyce and Ally Shinall, both of Oxford, were selected to the Second Team.

Joyce, a pre-engineering major, finished second on the team with 12 goals and tied with most assists on the season with eight while starting all 21 games. She had 32 points with a .789 shot on goal percentage. Joyce was selected to the National Junior College Athletic Association All-Region 23 Team.

Shinall, a biology major, had five goals and six assists while starting all 21 games this season. She totaled 16 points with a .692 shot on goal per-



Grace Joyce



Ally Shinall

centage. Shinall was selected to the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges All-Conference honors and signed with the University of West Georgia.

Both Joyce and Shinall were selected to the 2018 NJCAA All-Region

23 team as freshmen.

To be eligible for the Scholar All-America recognition, student-athletes must have a 3.30 cumulative grade point average or better on a 4.0 scale throughout their career, started more

than 50 percent of all games and significantly contributed to the team, must be a junior or above in academic standing or in second year at the school if a transfer student, and players must be nominated by their head coach.

Joyce and Shinall both had a 4.0 GPA and were the only players from the MACJC and NJCAA Region 23 to be selected for the honor. Addison Meadows of Oxford and Lexi Pund of Tupelo were selected to the Scholar All-America Team last year.

Student-athletes on this year's Scholar All-America were formally acknowledged for their accomplishments on the field and in the classroom at the All-America ceremony and reception, Jan. 18, at the Baltimore Convention Center in conjunction with the United Soccer Coaches convention.

## ICC athletes earn honors, awards; Keshun Parker, NJCAA Defensive Player of Year

### Staff Reports

Several ICC athletes have earned awards and honors recently.

They include Keshun Parker, NJCAA Defensive Player of the Year and First Team Defense; Brandon Brown and Ma'Darius Hobson, MACJC Men's Basketball Player of the Week; and Tabreea Gandy, NJCAA Player of the Week.

ICC linebacker Parker finished his sophomore season with 81 total tackles, including 18.5 for a loss of 91 yards and seven sacks. He also broke up five passes and forced two fumbles.

"It means so much to be picked as the Defensive Player

of the Year because there are a bunch of great players in Mississippi, and all across the country," Parker said. "this award is more than just me though. It wouldn't have been possible if it wasn't for my teammates and coaches. They deserve a bit part of this award, too."

This season, the Calhoun City native was named MACJC and NJCAA Defensive Player of the Week.

Parker is the first All-American for ICC since 2017 when Dan Ellington and Terry

Williams earned the postseason honor.

Gandy, a 5'3" sophomore

guard from Starkville, led the Lady Indians to a 66-64 win over Northwest Mississippi Community College after scoring 22 points, collecting a career-best 11 rebounds and dishing out five assists. She hit the game-winning shot in the final seconds of the game. Earlier that week she was named MACJC Women's Basketball Player of the Week. She is the first Lady Indian to be selected National

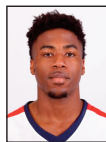
Player of the Week since Jayla Chills earned the honor during the 2014-15 season.

A triple-double performance earned MACJC Player of the Week Honors for ICC's Ma'Darius Hobson. The sophomore guard/forward from Houlika helped the Indians start the spring portion of the schedule with a road win over Volunteer State by finishing with double digits in three categories. he scored 14 points, grabbed 10 rebounds and had 10 assists.

Memphis, Tenn. native Brown averaged 22 points, 10.5 rebounds, seven assists and 5.5 steals per game to help the Indians pick up a pair of wins. In the Indians 73-61 win over ASU-Mid South, he turned in his first collegiate double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds. He also had five assists, four steals and a blocked shot. He had another double-double against Miss. Delta, while setting a career-best 26 points.



Parker



Brown



Hobson



Gandy

**Preseason**  
**ICC**  
**softball,**  
**baseball**  
**Ranked**  
**7th in the**  
**nation**



Riley Davis swings against a Southwest Tennessee pitcher.



Summer Cryder fields the ball against Jackson State.

# #RollTribe



# Tribe TALK

MADISON HALEY

Sports Editor

It has been a grievous time in the sports world. The death of NBA legend Kobe Bryant and his 13-year-old daughter, Gianna, in a helicopter accident in California has affected the entire sports community. However, this tragedy has not only affected basketball fans, but also anyone with a family or a child.

Kobe was a retired legend, but Gianna was in the early stages of her legendary career. Ironically, the father-daughter duo was traveling to a youth basketball event at the Mamba Sports Academy. Aboard were other young players around Gianna's age and another family with a father, mother and their daughter. Initially, I cannot help but think back to all the days I spent traveling to sports camps and tournaments with my dad. Some of our best memories happened in the long car rides. The last thought on my mind every weekend we loaded up the car was "What if we crash on the way there?" It just never seemed to cross my mind. I would have never thought that at 13, it could have been the last time I got to travel with my dad to go learn or compete for the sport I loved more than anything.



Haley

I make these comparisons because I believe far too often we take the little moments for granted. We do not live in the mindset of "tomorrow is not promised." Instead, we say "tomorrow" far too often. I believe this tragedy has quite literally changed the game for many people. For a father and daughter, it has made them cherish every opportunity spent together. For players, it has conjured up the idea to play every single game, perform at every practice like it could be your last. I am just as guilty as the next person when playing sports. I usually dreaded practice and camps. However, until something as tragic as Kobe and Gianna Bryant's death occurs, we do not play or even live with the right mindset. Whether we are talking about playing what could be your last game or spending what could be your last moment with someone you love, it seems pessimistic to have this kind of mindset, but sadly, it can be a brutal reality.

As heartbreaking and unfortunate as these cases can be, I believe God always has a divine purpose behind it all. Maybe it is to wake up athletes and their families across the world so they will seize every moment and opportunity they have with the sports, family members, teammates and friends they love.

## Football tryouts Feb. 14 and 28

**Staff Reports**  
The ICC football program has scheduled try-out dates of Feb. 14 and 28.

Both combination-style tryouts will be at Eaton Field on the Fulton Campus with registration set to begin at

12:30 p.m.

All athletes must have an up-to-date physical, completed high school eligibility and bring workout gear.

For more information, email Coach Sean Cannon at [jscannon@iccms.edu](mailto:jscannon@iccms.edu).

## Basketball season heading down the stretch...



Travonta Doolittle



Tyler Smith

## BOX SCORES

**INDIANS**  
December 2  
Law. St. 60, ICC 53  
Leading scorers  
Kendricus Carlton, 20;  
Tyler Smith 12

December 5  
Gads. St. 70, ICC 56  
Leading scorers  
Brandon Brown, 19;  
Tyler Smith, 17

December 9  
NW 65, ICC 56  
Leading scorers  
Brown, 18;  
Ma'Darius Hobson, 14

January 4  
ICC 74, Vol. St. 63  
Leading scorers  
Travonta Doolittle, 16;  
Hobson, 14

January 6  
ICC 78, Motlow 52  
Leading scorers  
Brown, 17; Smith, 15

January 9  
NE 84, ICC 62  
Leading scorers  
Rance Champ,  
Doolittle, both 10

January 13  
ICC 73, AS-MS 61  
Leading scorers  
Hobson, 33; Brown, 18

January 16  
ICC 74, MS Delta 58  
Leading scorers  
Brown, 26, Hobson 11

January 21  
ICC 67, Coahoma 64  
Leading scorers  
Brown, 22; Hobson 16

January 23  
EM 74, ICC 65  
Leading scorers  
Smith, 20; Brown, 13

January 27  
ICC 82, Holmes 64  
Leading scorers  
Smith, 22; Brown, 14

January 30  
NW 71, ICC 65  
Leading scorers  
Smith, 14; Brown, 13

February 3  
NE 60, ICC 57  
Leading scorers  
Hobson, 18; Smith, 10

**LADY INDIANS**  
December 2  
ICC 61, Law. St. 59  
Leading scorers  
Whitney Watkins, 22;  
Tabreca Gandy, 10

December 5  
Gads. St. 73, ICC 62  
Leading scorers  
Sara Friloux, 13;  
Watkins, 10

December 9  
ICC 66, NW 64  
Leading scorers  
Gandy, 22;  
Shimia Williams, 15

January 4  
ICC 79, Vol. St. 54  
Leading scorers  
Watkins and  
Lymia Fifer, both 12

January 6  
ICC 92, Motlow 54  
Leading scorers  
Mariah Holland, 16;  
Gandy, 14

January 9  
ICC 66, NE 55  
Leading scorers  
Kealy Wilson, 16;  
Gandy, Fifer, both 14

January 13  
ICC 83, AS-MS 44  
Leading scorers  
Watkins, 19;  
Wilson, 16

January 16  
ICC 63, MS Delta 42  
Leading scorer  
Zuri Dunlap, 10

January 21  
ICC 60, Coahoma 56  
Leading scorers  
Watkins, Gandy,  
12 each;  
Wilson,  
Xhiir Burgess, 10 each

January 23  
EM 65, ICC 59  
Leading scorers  
Shomaria Overton, 17;  
Wilson, 12

January 27  
ICC 64, Holmes 52  
Leading scorers  
Holland, 16;  
Overton, 10

January 30  
ICC 61, NW 59  
Leading scorers  
Watkins, Wilson,  
12 each;  
Burgess, 10

February 3  
ICC 76, NE 58  
Leading scorers  
Wilson, 15; Gandy, 14



Sara Friloux



Zuri Dunlap

## Coming up in ICC sports...

### BASEBALL

2.11	Bevill St.	1/4
2.14	SE Ill.	1/4
2.15	Rend Lake	1/4
2.19	@ Snead St.	12/3
2.22	Lakeland	1/4
2.25	@ Calhoun	12/3
2.29	Shawnee	12/3
3.10	Snead State	3/6
3.14	Meridian	2/5
3.18	@ East Miss.	3/6
3.21	@ Pearl River	2/5
3.24	@ Holmes	1/4
3.28	Jones	2/5
3.31	Calhoun	3/6
4.4	Southwest	2/5
4.8	Northeast	3/6

### GOLF

3.23-24	Meridian Inv.	TBA
3.30-31	Copiah-Lincoln	TBA
4.4-5	@MACJC champ.	
4.27-28	NJCAA Reg. 23	

### SOFTBALL

2.11	Bevill State	2/4
2.18	Snead State	2/4
2.14	Marion Military	1/3
2.22	@ Wallace St.	11
2.25	@ Bevill State	12/2
2.28	@ Snead State	12/2
3.6	@ Miss. Gulf Coast	2/4
3.10	Wallace St.	2/4
3.18	@ Northwest Miss.	1/3
3.21	@ Meridian	1/3
3.28	@ Hinds	2/4
3.31	Miss. Delta	2/4
4.3	@ Pearl River	12/2
4.6	Northeast	3/5
4.8	East Central	2/4
4.14	@ Holmes	2/4

### TENNIS

2.14	@ Meridian	1 p.m.
@ Southwest		1 p.m.
2.21	East Central	1 p.m.
2.25	Southwest	1 p.m.
2.28	Holmes	1 p.m.
3.3	@ Holmes	2 p.m.
3.6	Jones	2 p.m.
3.21	Copiah-Lincoln	1 p.m.
3.27	Meridian	1 p.m.
4.3	@ Jones	2 p.m.
4.7	@ Snead State (W)	2 p.m.

ON THE  
SCHEDULE

Follow ICC athletics...[LetsGoICC.com](https://www.letsgoicc.com)  
or on Twitter...[@LetsGoICC](https://twitter.com/LetsGoICC)



ICC President Dr. Jay Allen, second from right, looks on as Mississippi Governor Tate Reeves echoes his support for the Impact of Mississippi's community colleges at a Jan. 21 press conference at the Capitol.

## Mississippi community college presidents commission economic study

### Staff Reports

Nine months ago, the 15 presidents in the Mississippi Community College system commissioned an economic impact study that would evaluate the support of its mission. With the recent completion of the study, which was introduced at a press conference at the Mississippi Capitol, Jan. 21, the presidents now have that information to utilize for more strategic planning and decision-making.

### THE REPORT

The report, prepared by the National Strategic Planning and Research Center (NSPARC) at Mississippi State University had three primary objectives: (1) examine who is served by the statewide network of community colleges; (2) determine education and labor market-related outcomes of those served; and (3) estimate the overall economic impact of community colleges on the state of Mississippi. To estimate the overall impact of the community college system on the state's economy, a well-established input/output model created by Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) was employed.

The results of the study show that community colleges and the students they serve have a multi-billion dollar impact on Mississippi's economy, generating an estimated \$2.1 billion in wages and salaries in the state. This results in over a quarter billion dollars in state and local tax revenue and nearly four billion in state Gross Domestic Product. The community college network serves the entire state, prepares students for success and supports communities across the state.

### COMMUNITY COLLEGE VALUE

"Understanding the value of public higher education and workforce training has historically been challenging, until now," said Dr. Jesse Smith, Jones College President and Legislative Committee Chair for the MACJC. "We intend to show legislators, county officials and the citizens of Mississippi how crucial community colleges are for the successful future of the State of Mississippi. Specifically, we can make a reasonable assumption on the return on investment to the State of Mississippi and the potential for increased earnings for the student who earns a community college or workforce credential."

"The impact report demonstrates the importance of Mississippi's community college system as one of the largest employers in Mississippi," said Dr. Andrea Mayfield, Mississippi Community College Board Executive Director. "Not only does the system

employ an army of qualified people which in itself raises tax revenues, the system serves as a robust producer of highly skilled financially independent taxpayers."

"A highly skilled workforce is critical to company productivity, generating tax revenues and improving the quality of life in Mississippi," she noted. "Producing and maintaining a highly skilled workforce is Mississippi's workforce currency. This currency has value. Using real-time and connected data provides Mississippi decision-makers with the information needed to invest wisely to yield a high return. I am optimistic that key individuals making decisions will utilize reports like this to make good decisions regarding policy and the investment of state dollars."

### WHY A STUDY?

Smith said that many factors played a part in commissioning the impact study. "The growing negative national rhetoric that American public universities and colleges have not educated graduates prepared for the marketplace is disturbing. Also, the significant growth of student loan debt taken by students to pay for earning bac-

to the State of Mississippi, the graduates of the community colleges and the state's economy."

### USE OF DATA

"Mississippi community college presidents use data to make critical decisions at their respective institutions every day," Mayfield said. "A system-level study to examine the economic impact to Mississippi provides the information needed by state government to make good investment decisions. Community colleges must receive more dollars from the state to secure the resources needed to maximize productivity. Maximizing productivity produces more work opportunities, increased spending capacity and higher tax revenue collections."

Smith said that he was pleased with how extensive the report was in all areas relating to the system, its students and graduates. "We were surprised to learn that 75 percent of community college graduates remain in Mississippi upon graduating," he said. "This percentage is higher than that of high school dropouts, high school graduates and even university graduates."



Dr. Andrea Mayfield, Mississippi Community College Board Executive Director, emphasizes the importance of the colleges.

### COMMUNITY COLLEGE SUCCESS

"Also, we were glad to know that community college graduates who transfer to the university system are 1.5 times more likely to graduate than students who enter the university system as freshmen," Smith added.

Mayfield also was pleased to see the figures supporting the community college system's message. "While I have

always known the community college system is one of the largest employers and producers of Mississippi's workforce, the study was able to demonstrate the rate of return and the economic impact in dollars," she said. "The community college system in Mississippi is a multi-billion dollar industry that employs faculty and staff to work with people to produce Mississippi's workforce. The community colleges do not receive state-appropriated dollars to conduct non-credit workforce training for business and industry employees, yet the report clearly illustrates the value of such training to the individual, the company and our state."

### COMMUNITY COLLEGE REACH

All 82 counties of the state are covered by the community college network of 15 main campuses and 500 total locations. Ninety-six percent of all students served by community colleges are Mississippi residents. Each year, an average of 100,000 students are served through academic credential and degree programs, and another 100,000 are served through non-credit workforce training. Four out of five students who complete non-credit workforce training courses live and work in Mississippi after training. These students experience an average increase in earnings of more than \$2,390 after completing training, raising their average annual salary to \$42,922. Moreover, the training and education provided by Mississippi's community colleges prepare many of these graduates to enter "in demand" jobs. Community college students who transfer to public universities are almost 1.5 times more likely to graduate than their counterparts who enroll as first-time, full-time freshmen.

### OTHER FACTS

Other interesting facts include

- 1) Approximately 5,365 former community college students complete a four-year degree, create an additional 3,870 additional jobs, generate an additional \$334 million in wages and salaries, \$47 million in state and local tax revenue and contribute \$690 million to the state's GDP.
- 2) Students enrolled at one of Mississippi's 15 community colleges spend more than \$335 million in goods and services and over \$310 million in off-campus living expenses annually in Mississippi;
- 3) More than two-thirds of college-bound Mississippi public high school graduates enroll in a Mississippi community college within one year of graduating from high school.